

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: §
Giovanni Gilardi, et al. §
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Serial No.: 10/527,607 § Group Art Unit: 2883
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Confirmation No.: 5231 § Examiner: James P. Hughes
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Filed: November 17, 2005 §
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For: LITHIUM NIOBATE § Customer No. 47389
OPTICAL MODULATOR §
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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 2, 2007

In response to the Office Action dated July 2, 2007, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 2, 2007, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AVAN/000835/WCG for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 5 of this paper and includes an attached replacement sheet. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.